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As a DC resident, I value the variety of choices available through food trucks, and I hope that they continue to fill an important consumer demand, and continue to keep our city on the forefront of the culinary scene.

Thank you,

Eric Murphy

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Thank you,

Jennifer Carlton

I am writing to support the current proposed DCRA regulation Title 24 Chapter 5 that will allow mobile vendors to stay in DC and continue offering more choices and value to consumers. As a resident in DC, this is an important aspect of the food landscape in the district that is in vital need of supporting to the fullest.

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Thank you,  
Kristin Bart

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Thank you,

Eileen Cavanagh

I am writing to support the current proposed DCRA regulation Title 24 Chapter 5 that will allow mobile vendors to stay in DC and continue offering more choices and value to consumers.

I love the food trucks.

Regards,

Peter Meister  
1320 T St. NW  
Washington DC 20009

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I am a DC resident and love the option of the food trucks. Please keep them!

Thank you,

Emily Davis

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I think this legislation would do a big disservice to the people who live and work in the city. I believe that there is enough room for growth and competition among brick and mortar vendors and the mobile vendors. For example, I patronize both Red Velvet Cupcakes (a store in Chinatown) and Curbside Cupcakes (a mobile cupcake operation) to satisfy my sweet tooth. To eliminate one at the expense of the other is simply not fair and goes against free market principles that the city should be doing their best to uphold in the interest of encouraging entrepreneurs to consider DC a place to do business.

Regards,

Nicole Lewis



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Thank you,

Olivier Delperdange

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I live in Portland, Oregon, where we have over 150 of mobile food vendors and they bring variety and spice to the already overwhelming food choices this city has.

Thank you,  
Matt Gallop

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Thank you

Vinya Neelapu

Please help keep DC Food Trucks operating. It is a fun and exciting alternative to the DC dining scene for residents, commuters and tourists.

Those who are looking to stop these services are just looking to get rid of the competition instead of coming up with new ways to elevate the DC Culinary scene. I'm sure many restaurants and eateries in the District do not have a problem with food trucks since they are able to differentiate themselves and offer things (food, service, and atmosphere) that their competition cannot. So please culinary competition and creativity alive by supporting our food trucks.

Thank you for listening,

Edward Yan  
3100 Connecticut Ave NW

PS- Can we be like more European and Asian cities and allow street food vendors in DC too?

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Thank you,

Krista McCoy Stafford

I want to encourage adoption of the proposed DCRA regulation Title 24 Chapter 5 to allow mobile vendors in Washington, DC and promote choice and expansion of mobile vendors in a sensible manner. To restrict in an unfair manner mobile vendors and food trucks would rob our city of the vibrancy that these businesses have brought to other cities and limit the quality of life in DC.

Sincerely,

Mark Randolph  
1316 Corcoran Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20009

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Thank you,  
Elisa Vitale

I write to ask that you permit food trucks to continue to service the DC area. As a long-time area resident, these trucks offer convenience and value, both of which are exceptionally important in a time of economic downturn. Please pass the regulations as drafted.

Very truly yours,

Joshua Ian Rosenstein



It has come to my attention that a very powerful lobbying effort is attempting to impact legislation that would prevent or strictly prohibit mobile food trucks from serving in the District.

This deeply concerns me. Mobile food trucks are starting to spread to cities around the country, and I'm confident you're aware of the tremendous amount of publicity this movement is getting.

I would truly hate to find out that the council members could be swayed to enact legislation by a well funded lobbying effort on the behalf of a few wealthy business owners that would negatively affect the citizens and visitors of the District.

Let's make sure DC remains a world class city. A world class city offers more than just hot dogs.

I hope you will do the right thing for the citizens and not just appease the restaurant lobby and the hot dog mafia.

Please pass the regulations as written and protect the diverse, growing and small business vending options in the city.

Thank you,

Bill Scot Glasser

Please do all that you can to encourage food trucks in the city. They bring a welcome diversity - and some pretty wonderful food!

I had a lobster roll the other day from Red Hook and it was great - and they even commented to me how welcome DCRA made them feel.

Judy Newman  
1061 Thomas Jefferson St NW  
Washington, DC 20007

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Thank you,

Peter Denton

Food trucks are convenient and a welcome part of what makes this place livable and urban. Hell - even Bethesda has food trucks - not to mention NYC and Austin as well as other livable areas.

Keep the food trucks for the people who live and work in the city.

Cheryl Teare

Food trucks are the heart and soul of America. I think that a city like DC, which seems devoid of a populist culture, only has culture for those with gold cufflinks, could benefit greatly from mobile food establishments with tasty options for our citizenry to sample. Please don't rob our city of the lifeblood it so desperately needs, and has earned.

Sam Goldman

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Thank you,

Paige Fitzgerald

As a resident and employee of downtown DC, the food trucks provide a variety that is lacking. Please allow the trucks to keep operating and make DC happy!

Thank you,  
Kim Rogers

Keep food trucks throughout DC. Don't regulate the fun out of lunch.

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I am writing to support the current proposed DCRA regulation Title 24 Chapter 5 that will allow mobile vendors to stay in DC and continue offering more choices and value to consumers. Food trucks offer consumers more choices, especially in many areas where restaurants and cafes are limited. Businesses worried about the competition should concentrate on improving their product and value, fewer choices doesn't mean a business in that location will always get that business often it means that someone will choose to pack a lunch over going out.

More choices will also mean that those business locations and office buildings where food trucks are will be more sought after by businesses themselves.

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Thank you,  
Katelin Moomau

Over the past couple of years I have been very pleased at some of the many new casual lunch options that have sprung up around the city in the form of food carts and trucks. Many of them are bringing new and innovative options to the district, and I've been thrilled to see less expensive dining options available other than hot dogs.

I'm originally from Oregon, and one of the great things going for the City of Portland are the incredible number of food trucks throughout the city, serving inexpensive cuisine from around the country. As you consider new regulations, I'd encourage you to take steps that make it easier, not harder, for new vendors to come into our city.

Thanks,  
Mark Dedrick

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Thank you,

Alison Hathaway

I am writing you in regards to the proposed regulations on the restricting the areas in which food trucks are allowed to operate. The increased presence of food trucks has actually increased the amount of frequency in which I eat out. I know what I can get downtown and for that reason bring my lunch 9 times out of 10. The increased opportunities for different options is a benefit, NOT something that should be regulated.

Thanks,

Kevin Raabe

I support the widest zone possible for allowing food trucks in DC to sell their goods.

I work at 25 Massachusetts Ave. NW near Union Station and have been grateful for the new lunch options offered by trucks such as Sauca, Florida meets DC, Sweetgreen, and others.

Don't let brick and mortar restaurants push the city back into the bad old times, where all we could get on the street was half smokes from fixed-place carts.

Doug Trapp  
Georgetown, DC

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Thank you,

Wendy Hancock

I am writing to support the current proposed DCRA regulation Title 24 Chapter 5 that will allow mobile vendors to stay in DC and continue offering more choices and value to consumers. I have worked downtown for several years, and there has always been a lack of quality affordable food in the area for the crowds of office workers here. The trucks I've visited provide a variety of excellent choices and their customer service is top-notch. The growth of these small businesses is good for consumers, good for these entrepreneurs, and good for the local economy!

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Please pass the regulations as written and protect these diverse, growing businesses in the city.

Thank you,

Christine Ruffo



I would like to voice my support for the continued expansion of food trucks within DC.

While there must be apt guidelines, rules and regulations there is no real reason to deny these mobile restaurateurs an opportunity to expand and thrive within DC's borders.

As a regular food truck purveyor, I have been amazed by the quality, the uniqueness and originality of a multitude of food items being offered by many of DC's food trucks.

I believe these new additions to the DC landscape add to the city's culture, improve the use of its public spaces and parks and encourage people to venture out of their offices and be part of DC.

Thank you

Matthew Youngblood

I love the food trucks! Please don't bend to special interest pressure and regulate them out of business!

Nick Harling  
DC resident

I both live and work in DC. I very much appreciate being able to purchase a variety of excellent food from food trucks. I ask you respectfully not to restrict their operations in any new regulations, including those found in Title 24, Chapter 5.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Sincerely,

Michael Nilsson  
1705 Hobart St. NW  
Washington DC 20009

I am writing in response to the new DC food vendor regulations. As someone who has lived and/or worked in DC for over five years now, I am in support of allowing the various DC food carts/vendors to do their business as usual. Along with the ease of ordering and very good food, it creates a sense of community that you normally don't see during the busy lunchtime hours in downtown DC.

I am 100% against restrictions on these vendors and would be sorely disappointed if they were made to park in designated areas only.

It's a nice surprise when your favorite vendor shows up outside your office and/or home, and I think restricting their movement would only be punishing them for their entrepreneurship and motivation.

Thanks for your time.

Matt Roberts  
1255 New Hampshire Ave NW  
Washington, DC 20036

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I have personally enjoyed the diversity of food trucks available in cities such as Austin, Tex. (<http://austinfoodcarts.com/>), Seattle, Wash. and San Francisco and I believe they bring unique and exciting dining options to each city.

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Thank you,

Butch Lazorchak

I am writing to support the current proposed DCRA regulation Title 24 Chapter 5 that will allow mobile vendors to stay in DC and continue offering more choices and value to consumers.

Today I got tacos from a cart through [www.foodchaindc.com](http://www.foodchaindc.com) at the corner of 17th and M. They were fast, delicious, and cheap! Something that is not readily available anywhere in the golden triangle area. I was able to gobble them down on the go and immediately get back to work to finish a project due by COB.

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Thank you,

Joshua Alecknavage

Please consider this e-mail my support of the proposed DCRA regulations governing food trucks. As someone who both works and lives in the District of Columbia, I support having more choices in my restaurant and food vendor options. Food trucks should be regulated appropriately, ensuring that they are sanitary and appropriately equipped for food service. Any regulatory action, however, that would stifle the ability of food trucks to reach customers should not be included.

The following aspects of the proposed regulations should be modified in order to provide fair competition in the food service market and also protect public safety.

506: The timeframe for renewals under 506, should be shorter if the vendor has remained in good standing with DCRA and is current with all permits. I suggest renewal timeframes should be no longer than 10 business day, provided the vendor is in good standing and provides DCRA with proof that they are current in all other required permits. Vendors with consumer complaints and are delinquent in fee payments should be inspected more thoroughly at the time of renewal.

559: The process of proposing Vending Development Zones should be more "public input" friendly. VDZ's should be allowed to be proposed through Advisory Neighborhood Councils or Ward representatives. There should be a process where citizens could start a petition to develop a VDZ. This way market forces have a more direct influence on the development of VDZ's. As written, the pre-application requires information that typically is related to companies and not-for-profit organizations. Citizens should be able to have more direct input into this process via elected officials and petitioning process. But this process should received different treatment once it is accepted for review. The application should be reviewed in accordance with the procedures already set forth in part 559.

Thank you,

Andrew VanLandingham

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Marcel Hillie



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Thank you,

Joshua L. Phelps

Please keep my food trucks feeding me like they do now!

Thanks,

Alyssa Geisler

Please allow food trucks to sell wherever they wish.

Thanks,  
Marc Eisenberg

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Adrienne Ewing  
(I reside and work in DC)

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Thank you,

Kurt Klemperer  
Washington, D.C.

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Thank you,  
Brittany Bandy  
101 G St SW  
Washington, DC 20024

I want to add my voice to the chorus of people supporting food trucks anywhere in the city -- except, of course, major thoroughfares during rush hour.

Thanks,  
Kirk Nathanson  
201 I St NE  
Washington, DC 20002

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I work in downtown DC and enjoy the variety and diversity of the mobile vendors – as do millions of DC tourists annually. Do not limit these vendors and homogenize our streets and food!

Thank you,

Margaret Glass



I am a long-time DC resident and I am writing to support the current proposed DCRA regulation Title 24 Chapter 5 that will allow mobile vendors to stay in DC and continue offering more choices and value to consumers.

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Thank you,

Peggy Carlson

As a DC resident, I want the DC government to please keep regulations flexible to allow for a greater variety of food options near where I live and work.

Thank you

Brian Rideout

I am writing to support the current proposed DCRA regulation Title 24 Chapter 5 that will allow mobile vendors to stay in DC and continue offering more choices and value to consumers.

I had lunch at 7th & Maryland today at DCSlices and was impressed by the efficiency, price, and deliciousness of my meal! At 1 p.m., 2 other food trucks nearby were already sold out of their stock. People obviously endorse and appreciate the presence of these food trucks.

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Thank you!

Kathy Fuller

Springfield, VA resident, working on The Mall in D.C.

Please, please, please offer food truck vendors flexibility in working in the District! They add another layer of interest to the city – particularly those that use random locations – and offer us poor office drones variety from the old stand-bys.

I appreciate your consideration!  
Gwen Neild

I would like to state for the record that, as a frequent visitor to DC from Montgomery Co., MD, I support the new draft regulations that allow food vendors to sell food in a wider area of the city.

Thanks,

Susan Johnson

I work near the Smithsonian Metro and have very limited lunch options during the work week. In order to get a little variety in terms of food options, I track when various food trucks will be nearby each day. It is a welcome break from the unhealthy options at the L'Enfant food court, and the expensive options in the various Smithsonians.

Therefore, I am writing to support the current proposed DCRA regulation Title 24 Chapter 5 that will allow mobile vendors to stay in DC and continue offering more choices and value to consumers.

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Thank you,

Angie Colamaria

I am a DC resident and also work in the District. I am writing to comment on the regulations regarding food trucks.

I work in an area with a limited supply of decent lunch options and the food trucks offer better food than many other options.

Please do not restrict their locations.

Thank you,

Neil Campbell  
215 8th St SE  
DC 20003

Please allow food trucks free reign to roam DC -- and especially to hit up big events.

Thanks!

Aaron Pritchard  
214 Taylor St NW  
20011



I am a customer of Curbside Cupcakes and I am writing to support the current proposed DCRA regulation Title 24 Chapter 5 that will allow mobile vendors to stay in DC and continue offering more choices and value. Please do not allow the introduction of any discriminatory language into these regulations. Please pass the regulations as written and protect the diverse vending options in the city.

Curbside and other mobile food vending trucks are providing a wonder service with excellent customer service. Not to mention it is absolutely fun tracking them in real time on Facebook and Twitter. They're taking advantage of the economic downfall in this country by coming up with a wonderful alternative to this crisis. Please do not punish them because they're trying to support and provide for their families.

Thank you.

Nicole L. Green

I oppose the food truck regulations.

Matthew Hoyer

We need more of them like they have on the West coast. I have a disability and many restaurants are difficult for me to enter. Food trucks are so much easier to deal with. Thanks!

Louisa Reynolds

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Thank you,

Brian Drozd  
4801 Connecticut Ave NW  
Washington DC 20008

Just a quick note to say that I work in the District and I very much enjoy the food trucks that are near my office and would like to see more of them.

Karen Hopper

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Thank you,

Andrea Sigritz

I just wanted to write an express the great pride I have for the Food Truck scene that is burgeoning in D.C. over the past year or so.

When friends and family visit who don't live in the District or surrounding areas, I always try to take them to one of these mobile restaurants because I find them to offer delicious food and oftentimes better lunch options that what is closest to my office downtown.

If the areas in which they are allowed to park become more restricted, it would hurt this new cultural phenomenon that most people I know in D.C. seem to have picked up on. I have yet to meet one person who has had poor experiences with the trucks, and it seems selfish that some businesses want to restrict where the trucks can park.

Again this is something about D.C. in which I take great pride. Please keep allowing the trucks to move at least as freely around the city and they do now.

Best,

Sam Wineka

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Thank you,

Deidre Wilkinson



I wanted to let you know that I live in Washington DC and am greatly in favor of maximum flexibility towards food trucks. I think they add diversity and excitement to the local food scene, and bring much needed competition to the plethora of lackluster hotdog vendors around town.

I appreciate your time and consideration.

Very Respectfully,

Joe Cafferata

Please **support** the current proposed DCRA regulation Title 24 Chapter 5 that will allow mobile vendors to stay in DC and continue offering more choices and value to consumers. These mobile vendors are a great addition to the city which includes DC residents, tourists as well as commuting workers.

The mobile vendors are a breath of fresh air and allows everyone to sample a diverse range of food for a reasonable price. It would be a shame to rid the city of these mobile vendors. Where else can you get a great slice of pizza (DC Slices), delicious cupcakes (Curbside Cupcakes) or a delectable lobster roll (Lobstertruck DC) but in the city.

In addition to providing the city with new and tasty fare, these mobile vendors have worked long and hard to build their small business and they should be commended for taking a risk and being successful at what they do. These mobile vendors are meeting a great demand and niche and to get rid of it would be detrimental to the city.

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Please pass the regulations as written and protect the diverse, growing and small business vending options in the city. You will be happy that you did.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jacqueline Martin

Food are great! Although they are normally associated with hotdogs, soda, and chips, there are many more options. Less regulation would help make this possible.

A perfect example is the area outside Yale-New Haven Hospital, profiled here: <http://www.nytimes.com/2010/04/25/nyregion/25dinet.html? r=1>

A few points:

-Many of the carts are owned by restaurants that use their kitchens to prepare food in advance and serve it. Many times the restaurants are upscale places looking to expand their revenue and using their existing equipment.

-It helps a lot to have clusters of carts. Then people know where to go to find them and have multiple options. Regulations limiting density of carts/trucks don't help the carts or customers. The competition leads to better and more diverse food options.

-Part of the success of the YNHH food carts is the relative lack of food options around the hospital. There is little commercial space in the area because of the hospital, but there are many hungry employees and students. Similar areas exist in DC, especially near universities.

Food trucks can really add to a city. Support them! Thank you.

Willy Cass

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Thank you,

LaTonya Tucker

I am a DC resident and I work in the L'Enfant Plaza area where there are limited options for purchasing a decent lunch that is both healthy and affordable.

The introduction of food trucks has been a welcomed change in this part of town as more people are purchasing food from mobile vendors. I support the current proposed DCRA regulation Title 24 Chapter 5 that will allow mobile vendors to stay in DC and continue offering more choices and value.

Please keep food trucks alive and do not allow the introduction of any discriminatory language into these regulations. Please pass the regulations as written and protect the diverse vending options in the city.

B. Puri

I am writing to support the current proposed DCRA regulation Title 24 Chapter 5 that will allow mobile vendors to stay in DC and continue offering more choices and value to consumers. I work in DC and these food trucks have really livened up our limited food options, and are providing good quality food and desserts.

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Deborah Spitz

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Thank you,

Dee-Dee Wilkinson



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Mobile vendors are important to the economic health of Washington, DC; particularly in those neighborhoods where there are many large employers but few food options, street vendors, and particularly mobile vendors, can bring money into the city that would otherwise have been lost. Street and mobile vending also encourages residents and visitors to get out and walk through DC's vibrant neighborhoods, increasing the likelihood that they will find and spend money in local businesses. Supporting and encouraging these businesses is healthy for our city!

Thank you,

Julia High, resident,  
Ward 6

I am writing to you in favor of regulations that provide flexibility for street vendors within the District of Columbia. While our city is not most famously known for its gastronomic endeavors, the industry has become a treasured jewel in the eyes of the city's residents. I fully believe that the food carts and vendors of the city provide a significantly valuable service to our city in gastronomic diversity, and any measures that would inhibit their trade would surely be a detriment and disservice to the residents and visitors to our city.

Best Regards,  
Norm Sun

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Thank you,

Nicole A. Evers

Please don't restrict Street Vendors! I work on 12th and K and have long been a fan of the vendors who offer clean, cheap food. Sauca, Pedro & Vinny's and Bulgogi Cart are among my top trusted establishments.

As long as it is clean and regulated, keep 'em coming!

Thanks,

Shelby Thompson

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Thank you very much.  
Victoria Collins

I am writing in regards to the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on Vending Regulations 24 DCMR 5.

I favor an increased liberalization in the rules to attract and retain food trucks in DC. In my opinion, they are a vibrant addition to the city's public and gastronomic life, and would like to see them cultivated.

Regards,

Emma Wallace

I am writing to express my support for unfettered access of food trucks throughout the city. Of course I want them to meet city health and safety standards but so no reason to restrict where they setup shop.

Whatever can be done to encourage wider street food options should be done.

Best Regards,  
Thom Farrell  
514 M ST NE  
Washington, DC 20002

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Thank you,  
Peter Stewart



FOOD TRUCKS PLEASE!

Irene Kaushansky

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Thank you,

Loveleen Singh

I would like to join the hordes that are against pushing the food trucks out through overregulation. Please don't make them go away.

Thanks,  
Amber Wilkie

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Thank you  
Dee Wilk

I wanted to thank the DCRA for supporting food trucks in the city and not further restricting their functioning. I am a resident of the city and I also work in the downtown area.

I understand that businesses have complained that food trucks take away business from their establishments. I don't know the details of this, but in a general sense, if businesses are losing customers to Food Trucks, the answer should not be to restrict food trucks but to make businesses look at their approach and recognize that they may not adequately be meeting customer needs, whether those needs are related to cost, convenience, or quality of experience.

From a personal perspective, in the 9 years that I have lived and worked in the city, I have mostly been a "lunch packer." I do not generally eat in sit-down eating establishments because of cost and time. The growth of local food truck options has actually given me more opportunities to buy my lunch out and bring it in, which means more revenue for DC businesses, not less. If there is a food cart directly in front of a food establishment where I can also buy and take out tasty, reasonably priced food, then the non-food truck establishment will not lose my business. They will have a fair and equal shot at it. If the food truck is in front of a bland, chain-brand, sit-down restaurant, I wouldn't be eating there anyway.

Please continue to support food truck options as a way to encourage innovative business models. It will benefit DC in a larger sense, while restrictions will only benefit a few narrow business interests.

Thank you for your consideration and support.

Amy Pearson  
1217 N Street NW  
Washington, DC 20005

I am writing to support the current proposed DCRA regulation Title 24 Chapter 5 that will allow mobile vendors to stay in DC and continue offering more choices and value to consumers. As a transplanted Angeleno, I am always surprised by the lack of choices in food trucks in DC compared to Los Angeles. I work at the State Dept. and we have the Pan American Health Org. and GWU in the neighborhood. This clientele would happily welcome some exotic choices in mobile catering but we're limited to hot dogs. Make it stop!

Please do not allow the introduction of any discriminatory language into these regulations that would limit mobile vendors or food trucks. Expanding choices will expand revenue for DC.

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Thank you,  
Patty Hill

I'd like to voice my support for food trucks in DC. I wish we had more of them! -- and I'm not talking about the food trucks for tourists that serve hot dogs on the mall. I never use those trucks. I mean trucks that serve real food to DC residents on K St. and in Adams Morgan.  
Thanks!

Michael Vladimer  
1702 Summit Place NW DC  
Ward 1

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Thank you,  
Nicole Harkin



I'm writing to express my support for food trucks being able to operate in more locations throughout the District.

Having been a resident for over 12 years, I have very much enjoyed the recent food truck renaissance. I understand that other restaurant chains that serve lunch may see a reduction in patronage due to the food trucks, but I believe the increased competition combined with greater food options and pricing options will be a net benefit to DC residents and employees as a whole.

Thank you,  
Andrew Grant

I am writing to support the current proposed DCRA regulation Title 24 Chapter 5 that will allow mobile vendors to stay in DC and continue offering more choices and value to consumers.

The mobile trucks have been a boon to the economy. The reality is that people who can afford at DC restaurants will continue to visit those restaurants, however, the mobile vendors are reaching a new consumer base - one that has limited funds, time, and meal choices.

This summer, at Maryland and 7th, I have seen an army of brown baggers and those stuck with contract cafeterias put real cash into the economy, via the mobile vendors. People are religiously lining up every day to spend their money. Personally, I'm spending every day, something that I didn't do before. Most importantly, I'm pleased with what I'm getting in return.

In addition to providing a much-needed service, the vendors have also brought a sense of energy and personality to the area.

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Please pass the regulations as written and protect the diverse, growing and small business vending options in the city. Free enterprise is as American as it gets.

Thank you,

Sue Glowacki

I am a customer of D.C.'s food trucks and I am writing to support the current proposed DCRA regulation Title 24 Chapter 5 that will allow mobile vendors to stay in DC and continue offering more choices and value.

Please do not allow the introduction of any discriminatory language that limits the existence, area, or timing of these entrepreneurial food providers into these regulations. Please protect the diverse vending options in the city.

Thank you,

Jeffrey Sun

Please let me take the opportunity to voice my support for the proposed DCRA regulation Title 24 Chapter 5. I work in L'Enfant Plaza and I am absolutely thrilled to be spending some of my salary to support D.C. vendors who are finally offering a real choice of high-quality high-value food at lunch in this area. (Previously, I've brown-bagged it every day, which is kinder to my budget but less ideal for the D.C. government coffers--as a Virginia resident working in the District, I tend to spend most of my entertainment and dining money in NoVa.)

Please don't change the language of the regulation in any way that would limit new mobile vendors or food trucks! I'm just getting used to buying lunch once a week, when Fojol Brothers and other vendors come to 7th and Maryland SW on Wednesday afternoons.

Thank you,

Allison Barrett

I love the unique option of having food trucks all around DC, giving local residents an opportunity to eat great food. Please don't limit the growth of these businesses.

As a DC resident, I am writing to support the current proposed DCRA regulation Title 24 Chapter 5 that will allow mobile vendors to stay in DC.

Byron Scarbrough

I am writing to support the current proposed DCRA regulation Title 24 Chapter 5 that will allow mobile vendors to stay in DC. I believe these vendors add to our economic output, create jobs and offer choices and competition that are not currently in the food market. If the current language is changed with discriminatory language against the food truck operators, this would be bad for citizens, residents and visitors to our city.

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Please pass the regulations as written and protect these valuable small businesses in our city.

Thank you,  
Brian McLaughlin  
Ward 1 Resident

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Thank you,  
Meagan Keefe

I'm sure you've got hundreds of emails today, so let me just say that I love food trucks. Let's keep them.

Ben Korin  
Ward 2 resident



As a frequent customer of the multiple and growing food truck vendors in DC and VA, I am writing to support the current proposed DCRA regulation Title 24 Chapter 5 that will allow mobile vendors to stay in DC and continue offering more choices and value to consumers.

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Thank you,

Eren Fry

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Thank you,

Daniel Broom

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Please do not allow the introduction of any discriminatory language into these regulations that would limit mobile vendors or food trucks. I am a resident of DC. I love the DC FINALLY has some decent vendor options besides hot dogs. Food trucks are an innovative way to expand the growing food scene in DC.

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Thank you,  
Jen Angotti

I just wanted to register another DC resident in favor of the food truck and farmers' market trend.

DC is (finally!) gaining a national reputation for our culinary offerings. Every city has its specialty, and ours at the moment appear to be high-end burgers and the jumbo slice. Which are lovely, but a flourishing food truck scene would be just one more thing that's on the "gotta see/do" list for visitors to Washington.

Kind regards

Susan M. Bruno